

HOUSE BILL 613

By DeBerry J

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56,
relative to insurance premiums.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-118, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language to be designated as subsection (b):

(b)

(1) Notwithstanding any law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, no insurance company shall increase its premiums or cancel coverage on any insurance policy prior to the renewal or expiration date of the policy for the sole reason that the spouse of a policy holder has died.

(2) For purposes of subsection (b), "spouse" means a person to whom the policy holder was legally married at the time the contract of insurance was entered into between the parties.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.